Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 41645 National Oilwell Varco, L.P. RN100213024 Docket No. 2011-0742-IWD-E

Order Type:

1660 Agreed Order

Findings Order Justification:

N/A

Media:

IWD

Small Business:

No

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

West Little York Coating Plant, 12100 West Little York Road, approximately one mile southwest of the intersection of United States Highway 290 and State Route 529, Houston, Harris County

Type of Operation:

Coating plant with an associated wastewater treatment facility

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: August 19, 2011

Comments Received: No

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$1,380

Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$276 Amount Deferred for Financial Inability to Pay: \$0

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$1,104 **Total Due to General Revenue:** \$0

Payment Plan: N/A **SEP Conditional Offset:** \$0

Name of SEP: N/A

Compliance History Classifications:

Person/CN - Average Site/RN - Average

Major Source: No

Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A

Applicable Penalty Policy: September 2002

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Investigation Information

Complaint Date(s): N/A

Complaint Information: N/A

Date(s) of Investigation: April 15, 2011

Date(s) of NOE(s): April 28, 2011

Violation Information

Failed to comply with the permitted effluent limits for total copper. Specifically, the total copper daily average concentration exceeded the permit limit of 0.024 milligrams per liter ("mg/L") for the months of December 2010 (0.035 mg/L) and January 2011 (0.072 mg/L) and the total copper daily maximum concentration exceeded the permit limit of 0.05 mg/L for the months of December 2010 (0.1 mg/L) and January 2011 (0.257 mg/L) [Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1), 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 305.125(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Permit No. WQ0002104000, Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements No. 1].

Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:

N/A

Technical Requirements:

Within 90 days, submit written certification of compliance with the effluent limits of TPDES Permit No. WQ0002104000, including specific corrective actions that were implemented at the Facility to achieve compliance and copies of the most current self reported discharge monitoring reports, demonstrating at least three consecutive months of compliance with all permitted effluent limitations.

Litigation Information

Date Petition(s) Filed: N/A Date Answer(s) Filed: N/A SOAH Referral Date: N/A Hearing Date(s): N/A Settlement Date: N/A

Contact Information

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEO Enforcement Coordinator: Lanae Foard, Enforcement Division,

Enforcement Team 1, MC 169, (512) 239-2554; Debra Barber, Enforcement Division,

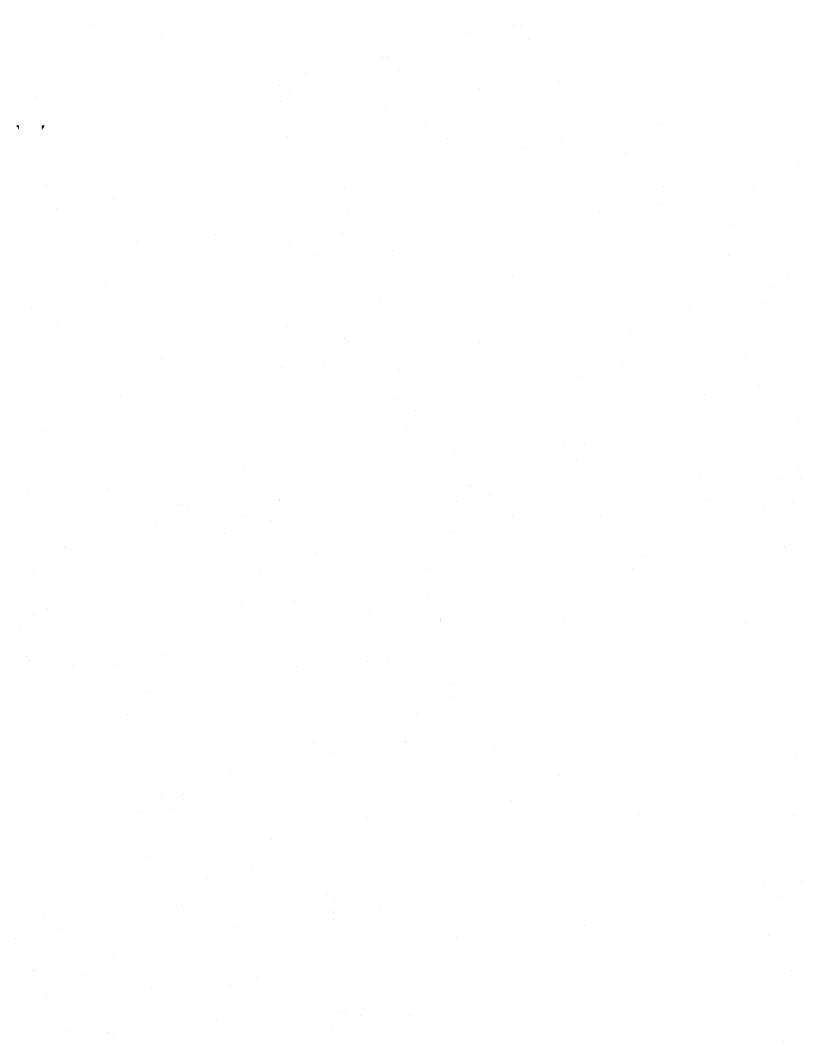
MC 219, (512) 239-0412.

TCEQ SEP Coordinator: N/A

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Respondent: Isaac Joseph, President, National Oilwell Varco, L.P., 7909 Parkwood

Circle Drive, Houston, Texas 77036 **Respondent's Attorney:** N/A



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW) Policy Revision 2 (September 2002) PCW Revision October 30, 2008 Assigned 2-May-2011 PCW 18-May-2011 Screening 13-May-2011 **EPA Due** RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION Respondent National Oilwell Varco, L.P. Reg. Ent. Ref. No. RN100213024 Major/Minor Source Minor Facility/Site Region 12-Houston CASE INFORMATION No. of Violations 1 Enf./Case ID No. 41645 Docket No. 2011-0742-IWD-E Order Type 1660 Government/Non-Profit No Media Program(s) Water Quality Enf. Coordinator Lanae Foard Multi-Media EC's Team Enforcement Team Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum \$0 Maximum \$10,000 Penalty Calculation Section TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties) \$1,000 Subtotal 1 ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1 Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage. Compliance History 38.0% Enhancement Subtotals 2, 3, & 7 \$380 Enhancement for two months of self-reported effluent violations, four NOVs with dissimilar violations, and one order with denial of liability Notes language. \$0 Culpability No 0.0% Enhancement Subtotal 4 The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria. Notes \$0 Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments Subtotal 5 \$0 **Economic Benefit** 0.0% Enhancement* Subtotal 6 Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount Total EB Amounts \$559 Approx. Cost of Compliance \$10,000 \$1,380 Final Subtotal SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7 \$0 OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE 0.0% Adjustment Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage Notes Final Penalty Amount \$1,380

STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT

Notes

PAYABLE PENALTY

Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicted percentage. (Enter number only; e.g.

\$1,380

-\$276

\$1,104

Final Assessed Penalty

Adjustment

Reduction

20.0%

Deferral offered for expedited settlement.

20 for 20% reduction.)

Screening Date 13-May-2011

Docket No. 2011-0742-IWD-E

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002) PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Respondent National Oilwell Varco, L.P.

Case ID No. 41645

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN100213024 Media [Statute] Water Quality

Enf. Coordinator Lanae Foard

Compliance History Worksheet

Component	Number of	Enter Number Here	Adjust
NOVs	Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action (number of NOVs meeting criteria)	2	10%
	Other written NOVs	4	8%
	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (number of orders meeting criteria)	1	20%
Orders	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement orders without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federal government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	0	0%
Judgments and Consent Decrees	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government (number of judgements or consent decrees meeting criteria)	0	0%
	Any adjudicated final court judgments and default judgments, or non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees without a denial of liability, of this state or the federal government	0	0%
Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government (number of counts)	0	0%
Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (number of events)	0	0%
X 22 384.5	Letters notifying the executive director of an intended audit conducted under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which notices were submitted)	0	0%
Audits	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which violations were disclosed)	0	0%
	Ple	ase Enter Yes or No	
	Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%
Other	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No	0%
	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
	Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal government environmental requirements	No	0%
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Total Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7)

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Enf. Coordinator	***************************************			
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Other (as needed)		 		0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	<u>\$0</u> \$0
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Compliance History Rating: 2.92 CN602962334 National Oilwell Varco, L.P. Customer/Respondent/Owner-Operator: Classification: **AVERAGE** RN100213024 WEST LITTLE YORK COATING Classification: AVERAGE Site Rating: 0.37 Regulated Entity: **PLANT** ACCOUNT NUMBER HG0539K AIR OPERATING PERMITS ID Number(s): AIR OPERATING PERMITS **PERMIT** 1818 INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE EPA ID TXD000808006 SOLID WASTE REGISTRATION # INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE 31307 (SWR) WASTEWATER **PERMIT** WQ0002104000 **EPA ID** TX0075370 WASTEWATER **PERMIT** 4908 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 6700 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS **REGISTRATION** 13474 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 33635 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 40536 HG0539K AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS ACCOUNT NUMBER 4820100322 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS AFS NUM REGISTRATION 70346 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS 72262 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION P00061 POLLUTION PREVENTION PLANNING ID NUMBER HG0539K AIR EMISSIONS INVENTORY ACCOUNT NUMBER 12100 WEST LITTLE YORK ROAD, APPROXIMATELY Location: ONE MILE SOUTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 290 AND STATE ROUTE 529, HOUSTON, HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

TCEQ Region:

REGION 12 - HOUSTON

Date Compliance History Prepared:

May 04, 2011

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

May 04, 2006 to May 04, 2011

Compliance Period:

Name:

TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding this Compliance History

Lanae Foard

Phone:

(512) 239-2554

Site Compliance History Components

1. Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period?

2. Has there been a (known) change in ownership/operator of the site during the compliance period?

Yes

3. If Yes, who is the current owner/operator?

OWNOPR

Varco, L.P.

OWNOPR

ICO Worldwide, L.P.

OWNOPR

National Oilwell Varco, L.P.

OWN

ICO P&O Inc

4. If Yes, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)? OWNOPR Tuboscope Vetco International, L.P.

5. When did the change(s) in owner or operator occur? 10/03/2008 OWNOPR Tuboscope Vetco International, L.P.

6. Rating Date: 9/1/2010 Repeat Violator: NO

Components (Multimedia) for the Site:

A. Final Enforcement Orders, court judgments, and consent decrees of the State of Texas and the federal government.

Effective Date: 07/21/2008 ADMINORDER 2007-2023-AIR-E

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THC Chapter 382, SubChapter D 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: 4908, Special Condition 1 PERMIT

O-01818 Special Condition 6 OP

Description: Failure to operate within the permitted VOC emissions limits for the TO-4, EXTCOATFUG and

EXTCOATFUG2 units.
Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THC Chapter 382, SubChapter D 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: 4908, Special Condition 11E PERMIT

O-01818 Special Condition 6 OP

Description: Failure to monitor the thermal oxidizer (TO-4) from 5/01/2006 through 8/28/2006 and from

1/14/2007 through 2/07/2007.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THC Chapter 382, SubChapter D 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: O-01818 Special Condition 6 OP

Special Condition 11(B)(2) PERMIT

Description: Failure to keep records to show that application of varnish at the outdoor coater EXTCOATFUG occurred during daylight hours from the period of 8/01/2006 through 2/28/2007.

B. Any criminal convictions of the state of Texas and the federal government.

N/A

C. Chronic excessive emissions events.

N/A

D. The approval dates of investigations. (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.)

1 06/23/2006 (482728)

2 05/19/2006 (502985)

3 06/16/2006 (502986)

4 07/14/2006 (525324)

5 09/22/2006 (525325)

6 10/13/2006 (550048)

7 11/16/2006 (550049)

8 12/15/2006 (550050)

9 09/06/2007 (570693)

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- 60 08/16/2010 (867941)
- 61 10/05/2010 (874889)
- 62 09/17/2010 (874890)
- 63 10/20/2010 (882489)
- 64 11/17/2010 (888931)
- 65 12/27/2010 (897280)
- 66 01/21/2011 (903184)
- 67 02/17/2011 (910104)
- 68 04/29/2011 (912861)

CN602962334 Date: 08/27/2007 (573245)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122,143(4) Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.145(2)(C) 5C THC Chapter 382, SubChapter D 382.085(b)

O-1818 General Terms and Conditions OP

Failure to submit semi-annual deviation report within 30 days of the end of Description:

deviation reporting period.

Date: 11/27/2007 CN602962334 (599426)

Classification: Moderate Self Report? NO

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 111, SubChapter A 111.111(a)(1)(F)(ii) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THC Chapter 382, SubChapter A 382.085(b)

O-01818 Special Condition 3(iii) OP

Description: Failure to conduct quarterly opacity observations for the period of 5/24/2006

through 8/28/2006.

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THC Chapter 382, SubChapter A 382.085(b)

O-01818 Special Condition 6 OP Special Condition 11(C)(1) PERMIT

Failure to report the hourly emissions as a daily average in the monthly reports Description:

from the renewal of Permit 4908 on October 11, 2005 through September 2007.

Date: 03/11/2010 CN602962334 (789618)

Self Report? Classification: Minor 30 TAC Chapter 319, SubChapter A 319.11(b) Citation:

Failure to properly store wastewater samples, prior to pick-up. Description:

Classification: Self Report? Minor

30 TAC Chapter 319, SubChapter A 319.7(a) Citation:

30 TAC Chapter 319, SubChapter A 319.7(c)

Monitoring and Reporting PERMIT Description: Failure to maintain pH calibration log.

Classification: Minor Self Report? NO

30 TAC Chapter 319, SubChapter A 319.4 Citation:

Other Requirements #6 PERMIT

Failure to collect E.Coli samples upon issuance of permit. Description:

Classification: Minor Self Report? NO

30 TAC Chapter 319, SubChapter A 319.7(c) Citation: Other Requirements #7 PERMIT

Failure to submit Quarterly Progress Report for copper. Description:

CN602962334 Date: 08/19/2010 (803078)

Classification: Minor Self Report? Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(15)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.165(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

FOP 1818 GT&C OP

(910104)

Date: 01/31/2011

Description: Failure to certify the Annual Compliance Certification and the second deviation

report dated March 30, 2010. (Category C3 violation)

Date: 12/31/2010 CN602962334 (903184)

Self Report? Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a)

Description: Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Self Report? Classification: Moderate

CN602962334

Citation: 2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a)

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Description:

Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter

F. Environmental audits.

N/A

G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs).

N/A

H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates.

N/A

Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program.

N/A

J. Early compliance.

N/A

Sites Outside of Texas

N/A

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



IN THE MATTER OF AN	8	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO,	§	
L.P.	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
RN100213024	§	-

AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2011-0742-IWD-E

I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

At its ______ agenda, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding National Oilwell Varco, L.P. ("the Respondent") under the authority of Tex. Water Code chs. 7 and 26. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondent appear before the Commission and together stipulate that:

- 1. The Respondent owns and operates a coating plant with an associated wastewater treatment facility located at 12100 West Little York Road, approximately one mile southwest of the intersection of United States Highway 290 and State Route 529 in Houston, Harris County, Texas (the "Facility").
- 2. The Respondent has discharged industrial waste into or adjacent to any water in the state under Tex. Water Code ch. 26.
- 3. The Commission and the Respondent agree that the Commission has jurisdiction to enter this Agreed Order, and that the Respondent is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.
- 4. The Respondent received notice of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations") on or about May 3, 2011.
- 5. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Agreed Order shall not constitute an admission by the Respondent of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.

- 6. An administrative penalty in the amount of One Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$1,380) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent has paid One Thousand One Hundred Four Dollars (\$1,104) of the administrative penalty and Two Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars (\$276) is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Agreed Order. The deferred amount will be waived upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may require the Respondent to pay all or part of the deferred penalty.
- 7. Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or required in this raction, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.
- 8. The Executive Director of the TCEQ and the Respondent have agreed on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to the approval of the Commission.
- 9. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Agreed Order.
- 10. This Agreed Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order, whichever is later.
- 11. The provisions of this Agreed Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Agreed Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.

II. ALLEGATIONS

As owner and operator of the Facility, the Respondent is alleged to have failed to comply with the permitted effluent limits for total copper, in violation of Tex. WATER CODE § 26.121(a)(1), 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 305.125(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Permit No. WQ0002104000, Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements No. 1, as documented during a record review conducted on April 15, 2011. Specifically, the total copper daily average concentration exceeded the permit limit of 0.024 milligrams per liter ("mg/L") for the months of December 2010 (0.035 mg/L) and January 2011 (0.072 mg/L) and the total copper daily maximum concentration exceeded the permit limit of 0.05 mg/L for the months of December 2010 (0.1 mg/L) and January 2011 (0.257 mg/L).

III. DENIALS

The Respondent generally denies each allegation in Section II ("Allegations").

IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

1. It is, therefore, ordered by the TCEQ that the Respondent pay an administrative penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph 6 above. The payment of this administrative penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order resolve only the allegations in Section II. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective action or penalties for violations which are not raised here. Administrative penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: National Oilwell Varco, L.P., Docket No. 2011-0742-IWD-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13088 Austin, Texas 78711-3088

2. It is further ordered that within 90 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, the Respondent shall submit written certification of compliance with the effluent limits of TPDES Permit No. WQ0002104000, including specific corrective actions that were implemented at the Facility to achieve compliance and copies of the most current self reported discharge monitoring reports, demonstrating at least three consecutive months of compliance with all permitted effluent limitations. The certification shall be notarized by a State of Texas Notary Public and include the following certification language:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted and all attached documents, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations."

The certification shall be submitted to:

Order Compliance Team
Enforcement Division, MC 149A
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

with a copy to:

Water Section, Manager Houston Regional Office Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 5425 Polk Avenue, Suite H Houston, Texas 77023-1486

- 3. The provisions of this Agreed Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of the Agreed Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Facility operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
- 4. If the Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Agreed Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, the Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Agreed Order. The Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. The Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after the Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
- 5. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Agreed Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Agreed Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by the Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until the Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.
- 6. This Agreed Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Agreed Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
- This Agreed Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which 7. together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Agreed Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Agreed Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or issued for any purpose for which an original signature could be used. The term "signature" shall include manual signatures and true and accurate reproductions of manual signatures created, executed, endorsed, adopted, or authorized by the person or persons to whom the signatures are attributable. Signatures may be copied or reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms "electronic transmission", "owner", "person", "writing", and "written" shall have the meanings assigned to them under TEX. BUS. ORG. CODE § 1.002.
- 8. Under 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.10(b), the effective date is the date of hand-delivery of the Order to the Respondent, or three days after the date on which the Commission mails notice of the Order to the Respondent, whichever is earlier. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this Agreed Order to each of the parties.

SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attached Agreed Order. I am authorized to agree to the attached Agreed Order on behalf of the entity indicated below my signature, and I do agree to the terms and conditions specified therein. I further acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for the penalty amount, is materially relying on such representation.

I also understand that failure to comply with the Ordering Provisions, if any, in this order and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, may result in:

- A negative impact on compliance history;
- Greater scrutiny of any permit applications submitted;
- Referral of this case to the Attorney General's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or to a collection agency;
- Increased penalties in any future enforcement actions;
- Automatic referral to the Attorney General's Office of any future enforcement actions;
 and
- TCEO seeking other relief as authorized by law.

In addition, any falsification of any compliance documents may result in criminal prosecution.

Signature

Name (Printed or typed)

Authorized Representative of

National Oilwell Varco, L.P.

Date

Title

Instructions: Send the original, signed Agreed Order with penalty payment to the Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section at the address in Section IV, Paragraph 1 of this Agreed Order.